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Responsive to the Official Action dated March 26, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse, apoprotein B as a single disclosed species, for further prosecution. Claims 7-16, 18-30, 32-35, and 39 read on the elected species.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application by the election of a single disclosed species for each of the following:

- a. apoprotein B;
- b. HbA1C;
- c. serum amyloid A protein; or
- d. thrombin-antithrombin III complex recited in Claims 7 and 21.

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Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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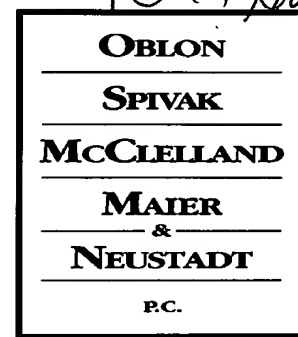
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